



MAJOR ROBERT R. JACKSON

One of the most gallant members of the Illinois legislature, who this week covered himself over with undying glory in securing the passage of his race film bill, which was skillfully drawn by Attorney Walter M. Farmer of Chicago.

Major Robert R. Jackson Secured the Passage of The Race Film Bill, Barring the "Nigger," Thomas Dixon's "Clansman," or "The Birth of a Nation"

Tuesday, May 18, 1915, was a red letter day for Major Robert R. Jackson who honorably represents one of the most exclusive districts in this state, the Kenwood district, who secured the passage of the following bill which was brought forth by Attorney Walter M. Farmer, 184 West Washington street, this city. One hundred and eleven members voted in its favor, while two voted against its passage.

A BILL

For an Act to prohibit Acts tending to incite ill-feeling or prejudice or to ridicule or disparage others on account of race.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly: That any corporation, person or combination of persons who shall advertise, publish, present or exhibit or cause to be advertised, published, presented or exhibited, in any public place in this State, any lithograph, drawing, picture, play, drama or sketch, that tends to incite race riot or race hatred; or that shall represent or purport to represent any hanging, lynching or burning of any human being, incited by race hatred, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and

be fined not less than \$200 nor more than \$1,000 for each offense.

Speech Fires House.

Major Jackson made the speech of his life which set the members of the house and the many visitors on fire, causing them to stand up on their feet all the time he was speaking, winning a decisive victory over those who were attempting to defeat the bill. In closing he maintained that the moving picture interests were behind the effort to kill his bill. The measure prohibits the exhibition of any film that shows a lynching or unlawful hanging and is based on the theory that presentation of such pictures tends to race hatred and to rioting.

Calls Bill Too Sweeping.

Representative Louis J. Pierson of Wilmette led the fight against the bill. He made an extended argument, alleging that the bill as drawn affects much more than the Negro race. He contended in his speech that the bill if it becomes a law prohibits in a religious way the use of any reproduction of the crucifixion in any church, any film which would raise the racial issue in any form, and in effect would put the movies out of business.

The Writers.

Mr. Hall Caine began life as an architect. St. Clair McKeelway, editor of the Brooklyn Eagle, is now seventy years old.

As a young man Mr. William Watson, like many of his craft, had some difficulty in making his way. His first volume of poems was published at his father's expense, and ten years later not twenty copies had been sold.

Mrs. Mary Gaunt, explorer and author, recently returned to London after long and arduous travels in Asia. Her most remarkable feat was the journey up the river Amur a distance of nearly 2,000 miles, during which she visited the former convict colony of Saghalien, being the first Englishwoman to make the visit.

The Cookbook.

For a small cake or cookies have a hot oven; for a large, rich cake, a slow oven.

In making a plain omelet it is better to add hot water than milk, as it makes it much more tender.

Put a handful of raisins on top of apples when baking your apple pies. This gives them a fine flavor.

A steaming hot dish of baked or boiled macaroni dressed with cream and grated cheese is a very good substitute for meat.

Overboiled potatoes, placed in a cloth and squeezed hard, can be mixed with flour or barley meal and made into scones. They should be toasted and eaten with butter.

Flippant Flings.

Thank goodness, Switzerland is not laying in a stock of submarines!—Philadelphia Record.

Congress is going to have an electrical device for use in recording votes taken at the sessions. Time thus saved can be devoted to talking.—Detroit News.

Now it is declared that Mrs. Christopher Columbus discovered America. They'll be telling us next that Mrs. Noah built the ark.—Detroit Free Press.

China may have a few diplomatic cards up her sleeve, but the advantages afforded by a Japanese kimono are not to be overlooked.—Washington Post.

Echoes of the War.

Each party is willing to make peace at once—on its own terms.—Philadelphia Record.

Neutrality might now be defined as an attitude that is equally offensive to all the belligerents.—Chicago News.

Possibly more peace talk would be audible if the warring nations would still their cannon fire for a few moments.—Detroit News.

There are a good many authorities telling us what is going to happen after the war. But wouldn't it be more to the point if somebody could say when after the war will be?—Philadelphia Press.

SIRES AND SONS.

Like Caruso, Sir Edward Elgar, the famous musician, is gifted with the pencil and is an excellent caricaturist. Rene Vidal, a French reserve soldier, received 138 distinct wounds from the explosion of a shrapnel shell. He is living.

Gustav Lindenthal, who is building the Hell Gate bridge at New York, the greatest structure of the kind in the world, which will have a length of three and one-half miles, is an Austrian by birth.

General von Schubert, of whom little is heard, has won great honors in the present war. His official title is general of the artillery of the German army, and to him more than to any other one person is due the credit for the manner in which the German artillery has performed the work mapped out for it in the war thus far.

Thomas Benton Howard, who has just attained the rank of admiral under the operation of the new law creating this rank, graduated from the United States Naval academy in 1873. He took part in the battle of Manila Bay as navigator of the Concord and later served with the Charleston and the Monadnock during the Philippine insurrection.

English Etchings.

Altogether seven Englishmen have been knighted for acting.

There are 17,000,000 acres of waste land in the United Kingdom. The ribbon of the Victoria cross is crimson for the army and dark blue for the navy.

No foreigners have ever been admitted to the freedom of the city of London, as they are unable to declare allegiance to the sovereign.

The largest single dock enclosed by artificial walls in Great Britain is at Newport, Monmouthshire. Its total water area is 110 acres and its dimensions 4,000 feet long by about 1,000 feet wide.

Household Hints.

Every cellar should be aired and sunned often. Use paper bags for covering pitchers with food in them.

When you paste labels on glass jars that are used for spices or cereals put the labels on the inside. They will stay more securely.

To put a new wick in any lamp burner quickly thread a needle first, run the thread across the wick and pass needle through burner.

Use no soap on window glass. Use old muslin and clean soft water. A cotton cloth dipped in a little alcohol will add brilliancy to the final rub.

After a woman becomes the wife of a great man she wonders what causes his greatness to evaporate.

The fellow who starts out to find a new home always discovers that somebody is living in the house he wants to rent.

Statisticians announce that on April 4 the population of the United States reached an even 100,000,000. Those who doubt it are privileged to count noses.

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PITH AND POINT.

It is easier to forgive an enemy than to wish him good luck.

"Love just happens," says a woman writer. So do mistakes.

Only those who hesitate can have the benefit of second thought.

Swimming the English channel is not a very popular sport just now.

It is better to take up another line of work than to remain in the "has been" class.

While a man knows that he pays high for experience, he keeps on buying it.

Sometimes a man just pays you a compliment when he owes you real money.

Huerta says this is a great nation. It was a trifle too great for Huerta's own good.

Every young man should understand that his dead ancestors cannot hold his job for him.

Fools not only rush in where angels fear to tread, but they sometimes get away with it.

Possibly a cleanup week in the Balkans would go far toward dispelling the typhus plague.

BRIGHT BRIEFS.

Peace continues to be an increasing long felt want.

The one who hesitates may lose a good opportunity.

The man who is too proud to ask for favors doesn't get many.

The world owes every man a living, but doesn't furnish a collector.

To be content with what you have imagine how you would feel if you had lost it.

Stock Exchange seats are about to be listed once more among the seats of the mighty.

It is never easy to find a good excuse for not doing something that should have been done.

It is better to live within your pay envelope, even at the risk of being known as a cheap skate.

Apparently a man never gets to be so old that he ceases to be surprised when women's fashions change.

Do not allow the making of plans for tomorrow to interfere with doing what you planned yesterday to do today.

One dollar spent on the prevention of disease will bring bigger dividends to any town than \$10 spent on relief or cure.

The figuring of war indemnities will represent one of the biggest tasks the expert accountants have had to undertake.

Warmbad has just appeared on the war map. As it is located in equatorial Africa the name can't be ascribed to inefficient heating.

Garrett Service says the latest aeroplane is like a winged lobster. If he'll now tell us what a winged lobster is like our stock of information will be complete.

Timely Tips.

Now comes the season when the Sunday automobile accidents crowd the Monday morning papers.—Philadelphia Ledger.

The American spirit of restlessness is typified by impatient search for last year's rod and line.—Baltimore American.

It is time to clean up back yards and front yards. In fact it is always time to clean up yards.—Albany Knickerbocker Press.

Swat the flies before they are born. You can do that by swatting the filthy places where the flies are hatched and brought into existence by the hundred thousand to torment humanity.—Pittsburgh Dispatch.

Animal Oddities.

The queen-bee lays 200 eggs a day.

The swallow has a larger mouth in proportion to its size than any other bird.

The sea elephant uses its trunk to seize its prey and to transfer food to its mouth, just as does its brother which roams the land.

A hawk can spy a lark on earth almost exactly the same color at twenty times the distance at which it is perceptible to a man or dog.

The roar of a lion can be heard farther off than the sound of any other creature. Next come the cries of the hyena, the screech owl, the panther and the jackal in succession.

Flippant Flings.

Sherman omitted to go on record about neutrality.—Wall Street Journal.

The highest ambition of the Panama canal seems to be to act as much like a folding bed as a canal can act.—Chicago Herald.

Philadelphia is to teach geography by moving pictures. That is about the only way to keep up with European geography.—Indianapolis News.

We shall miss having to listen to people who have been to Europe this summer, but already people who have seen the San Francisco fair are returning.—Detroit Free Press.

Short Stories.

Reindeer are more numerous in Norway than horses.

The services of about 70,000 are required to take a census of this country.

In the United States there are 6,861,502 farms, with a total acreage of 878,798,825.

There are now sixty-seven bird reserves in the United States where wild fowl may live unmolested.

A law in Montreal compels the bakers of that city to stamp on each loaf its weight and their initials.

Recent Inventions.

Paper clubs for policemen, practically indestructible, have been invented by an Englishman.

A cone shaped adjustable cover has been invented that will fit any ordinary sized cooking utensil.

A gas meter has been invented that automatically prints bills for the gas that has passed through it when a lever is pressed.

Two Wisconsin inventors have patented a kerosene lamp that is automatically extinguished if upset or even lifted from a support.

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THE REPORT OF THE AMATEUR MINSTREL CLUB.

The Amateur Minstrel Club made their annual donation to the Old Folks' Home Friday night at the Y. M. C. A. The Home was represented by Mr. S. R. Johnson, president; W. H. Yancy, secretary; Jas. W. Camp, treasurer, and Mr. F. L. Cuffee. Mr. H. H. Horeby, assistant secretary of the Minstrel Club, read the report which showed over \$200 increased expenses over last year. On three items—hall, stage and music—amounted to \$180 more than last year. The Minstrel Club through their president, C. S. Washington, presented to the board of trustees a check for \$300 on Jesse Biaga's bank. The check was greatly appreciated and will help to reduce their indebtedness, which is over \$1,000.

The Minstrel Club wishes to thank the public and the press for their support; also the eighth regiment for the chairs and repurchasing the stage for \$20, which helped to reduce the expenses. Following is the treasurer's report:

RECEIPTS.

Balance from 1914.....	\$ 37.90
Paid at the door.....	186.00
Punch bowl.....	57.25
Cloak room.....	35.40
Programs.....	26.87
Tickets by members.....	155.00
Mailing list.....	134.00
Sale of stage.....	20.00
	\$652.42

EXPENSES.

Rent of 5th Reg. Hall.....	\$100.00
Music.....	67.00
Building stage.....	70.00
Costumes.....	15.55
Cloak attend.....	10.00
Frozen Arts Co.....	12.35
Rent for rehearsal.....	16.50
Printing.....	34.00
Newspaper haul, etc.....	26.58
	\$349.48

To Old Home.....	300.00
Bal. for 1915.....	\$ 2.94

THE FOLLOWING LETTER EXPLAINS ITSELF.

Chicago, Ill. May 15, 1915.

To the Officers and Members of the Amateur Minstrels:

We the board of directors of the Home for Aged and Infirm Colored People extend to you our sincere gratitude for your liberal donation of \$300.00. Words are inadequate to express our appreciation. If we had a few others who would follow the example laid down by you, viz., giving us a yearly donation, we would be able to make it one of the finest institutions of its kind in the state. We sincerely hope that others will follow your example. Again thanking you, we remain yours for the success of the Home.

S. R. JOHNSON, President.
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CHIPS

Mr. Nat Jones of 248 E. 35th St., has left the city for Grand Rapids, Mich., to spend his vacation. We wish for him a pleasant trip.

Mr. W. A. Wallace, president of the Colored Political League, will address the Star Literary Club Sunday at 4 p. m. at Ebenezer Baptist church, 35th and Dearborn streets. Subject, "Going Forward."

We are sorry to note that the very dear son of Rev. J. C. Anderson, pastor of Quinn chapel, is at this writing a very sick young man. We wish for him a full and complete recovery.

Captain Anderson, ex-chaplain of the U. S. Army, 10th Cavalry, is in the city, and paid a glorious tribute to the Colored soldiers of the United States Army at the Institutional Church, 38th and Dearborn streets, last week.

We happened to meet on the surface ear the other day our old friend, Harrison Stewart, just from the East. Things looked somewhat blue to us at the time, when he said: "Cheer up, old chap; that won't do for a newspaper man; just keep up that Pekin smile."

Mr. John Andrews, who was considered one of the best cafe waiters in Chicago, and who has been away in the West and East for some time, has just returned from Philadelphia, Pa. He is looking around and expects to invest in business here.

"A thousand hard earned dollars given to Fisk University by Mrs. Dismukes of Nashville, Tenn." A laundress in Fisk University, who out of her small means gave \$1,000 toward a music building for Fisk, a splendid sacrifice, a monumental endeavor, a wonderful example of chivalry. Forty-nine thousand others are necessary to have if the building is to be realized. But Mrs. Dismukes has infinite faith that others will give them. She has for four years given her monthly salary to this institution; she had given them the amount of her pledge. This is a worthy sacrifice, worthy of the highest consideration.

The management of the beautiful Hotel Lincoln at Arverne, L. I., has formed a plan for making Decoration Day one of the "gala events" of its summer season. The building, which stands in striking contrast with its new bright, white decoration, both interior and exterior, against its color scheme of somber hue of last summer, has been made over into the last word in hotel perfection. Announcement cards have been sent out, giving a schedule of feature attractions, among which will be dancing and musical festivities for Saturday, May 28th Sunday, May 29th, guests will be entertained with an elaborate program of music. Monday, Decoration Day, dancing festivities will be resumed. A large tennis court is being laid out for the free use of the hotel's guests.

ANNUAL MAY BALL

Eighth Regiment Ill. National Guard New Armory, 36th St. and Forest Ave.

Monday Evening, May 24, 1915.

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